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about a trip
to warm FL
on 12/15 for Starcade? Let me know.

NATIONAL WRESTLING ALLIANCE

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St. Petersburg, FL

Ron

Welcome to another edition of "AR". In this issue besides the live report on the St. Pete card, we have the return of Jersey Joe Mullins and "Cosmic Clothesline". It focuses on the Bash get together and I think it's Jersey's best yet. Scott Hudson joins us again with his second installment of "Georgia Wrestling Journal". Marianne Ryan was to have her debut column, "Notes From The Parking Lot" in this ish but it's the day before I go to press and I haven't received the column yet. Since I've never been a day late in almost two years, I won't start now. Hopefully, we'll have it next issue. We also have a report on the WWF taping in Omaha which occurred on 7/16. That includes this Saturday's WWF Main Event show on NBC. Correspondent's Corner, Letters To "AR", and everyone's favorite, "Ramblings" round out the issue. We also have the official announcement on the date and site for Starcade '90. Check "Ramblings" for that.

Next issue of Arena Report will be dated 8/11 and come from the WWF in Orlando. We will be doing back to back issues in August as the NWA returns to the Bayfront on August 18. So if you have 1 issue remaining on your sub, make sure you renew so you don't miss that issue. Evan Ginzburg and Mike Terry return with their respective columns and Scott Hudson will once again enlighten us on the Peachtree State's happenings. We'll also have reports on the Titan tapings from Springfield, MA and Providence on 8/7 and 8/8 from my former cohorts up in New England.

Arena Report is published twice per month at the cost of 75¢. You may order up to as many issues at once as you please. A number appears at the top left hand corner of this page indicating how many issues you have remaining. All subs, letters, and results may be sent to Ron Lemieux, 916 Sloewood Ct. Lake Mary, FL 32746. Let's go to the Gulf Coast where I was joined by Jeff Bowdren, Dave Flaherty, and my wife Cheryl, who is getting more pregnant every day. Cheryl was a sub for Klon as it was his wife Elaine's birthday today. So happy B-day to Elaine and hope your day was great.

Opening Match

Lou Perez pinned Barry Horowitz in 9:24. A miscarriage of justice having a non-NWA regular get the duke when Barry carried the man. Perez was a sub for Brad Armstrong who was still passing out candy in the lobby. Jeff yelled out, "Hey Lou, I hope Mike Graham doesn't find out about this." Perez responded, "He knows all about it." Lou was going for a piledriver when Barry backdropped him but Lou held on for sunset flip. * all for Barry

2nd Match

Sid Vicious powerbombed Steve Collins in 4:40. Cappetta announced Sid from "Wherever he darn well pleases." They messed up a move where Collins went for a cross body while Sid went for a clothesline. The result, Collins left the arena with his arm in a sling and his ribs bandaged although the ribs could have been from a barricade bump. 1/4*

3rd Match

Doug Furnas beat Dutch Mantell with a cross body at 8:11. Lots of comedy by

Mantell. A little better than their PPV but not much. Dave and Jeff were chanting, "Shave your back, shave your back." * $\frac{1}{2}$

4th Match

El Gigante beat The Shadow (Randy Culley) in 3:44 with a clawhold. He threw a decent clothesline but that was it. Jeff said he was already better than Dino Bravo. $\frac{1}{4}$ *

5th Match

Buddy Landell pinned Tom Zenk in 4:47 when Buddy came off the buckles and sunset flipped Z_Man and used the tights. Landell's antics are awesome. What a character. Decent match. **

6th Match

Brian Pillman upset Mean Mark Callous at 7:21. Pillman got a huge pop when introed. Mark used the ropes in the corner for a pin but Zenk came out and argued so ref started bout up again. Pillman immediately came from behind Mark and rolled him up. Could a plane trip to Titan be in the cards for Callous? Paul E was his usual entertaining self at ringside. Mark went nuts outside the ring afterwards turning over timekeepers table and the like. ** $\frac{1}{4}$

Tag Team Match

Rick & Scott Steiner beat Bobby Eaton & Buddy Landell in 17:36. It could take the rest of this page to explain the going ons in this bout. Landell was a sub for Stan Lane who still hasn't cleared up his legal problems in the state. I'm sure the NWA will put heat on him to take care of it before 12/15. (There's a tease for you.) Cornette announced that Lane was busy chairing a committee to re-elect FL governor Bob Martinez. (Martinez is not liked here in the Sunshine State.) James E and Nick Patrick did their shadow box routine. Landell meanwhile, put on Cornette's jacket and was swinging his tennis racquet. When Jim asked Buddy what he was doing, he told him to get in the ring and take his place. Hilarious stuff. Rick at one point, potatoed Buddy with a clothesline. At this point, shards of glass fell from the roof of the arena as a light bulb burst. A couple of ringsiders got cut and one little kid was slightly burned on the shoulder. Eaton was also cut on the arm. This was just more material for Cornette. He said, "It's pretty bad when the Steiners have to resort to explosive devices in the ring." Cornette also handed a broom to Patrick and told him to do his job. As ringside was cleaned up (but the ring hadn't been totally swept.) Rick went to lock up with Bobby and kept pointing to the ceiling and Bobby was ducking. They did a false finish with Scott getting whacked with the racquet. As Landell was holding Scott, Rick went for a clothesline with Scott ducking and Buddy got leveled. Scott scored the pinfall. I didn't miss Lane at all. Combined workrate and comedy gets this a *** $\frac{3}{4}$

NWA Television Championship

Paul Orndorff beat Arn Anderson via DQ for being thrown over the top rope in 12:58. Solid work and the heat surprisingly wasn't bad but it was missing something. ** $\frac{1}{2}$ Paul was going for a piledriver when Arn back-dropped him over.

Main Event: Tag Team Match

Sting & Lex Luger defeated Barry Windham & Harley Race in 18:56. Great bout. Ric Flair was at ringside playing manager since he has that staph infection in his knee. He acted fine to me. Race didn't embarrass himself. As a matter of fact, he looked pretty good. I liked this better than having Flair in the ring as with Ric outside, it added another di-

mension to the bout. Ric pulled Sting outside and was hammering with those chops which Sting didn't sell. Flair also abused Luger into the guardrail. John Lanigan will like this next note, Windham has the best hockers in the business. You could have filled a bathtub with the ones he was throwing up in this match. The heat was intense. Sting and Luger got HUGE pops when they came out. End came as Lex and Barry were brawling on the floor and Sting came off the top rope onto Race for the win. After, the heels threw Lex out of the ring and they tripled on Sting. Flair went for the figure four while Barry and Harley punched and kicked him. The fans went wild. Tons of debris came flying into the ring. Flair had that, "Get me the hell out of here." look in his eyes. The fans were pissed. They'll come back next month (the fans) I'm sure. You hate to see the fans react that way but it proved they got the match over. ****

Notes

The kid who got burned was taken back to see Sting and given free tickets to the next show here on August 18th.....An usher told me they had 4,000 in the building and Jeff estimated 2,000 but I'd say 3,600. They hold 8,000 and it was almost half full.....Cheryl was sitting next to a "mark" who was telling her Hulk was coming back because he was no quitter. Cheryl's response was, "No, he sure isn't." in an agreeable tone. Why didn't you smarten him up hon?.....All they said about their return next month was that Sting would defend the belt. It should be Flair as the place would do well since they played an angle at the end of tonights main..... The card was very enjoyable and had alot more bouts than I was expecting. Feel bad for the crowd in Mobile, AL as they must have had a sorry line up.

Ramblings

Starcade '90 has officially been announced. It will take place on Saturday, December 15th here at the Bayfront Center. I'm glad the NWA changed their minds on the day of the week. They were thinking about another Wed. For those PPV road warriors who want to come down for the "granddaddy of them all", I've talked with a couple of cohorts down here and we've agreed that "Hardcore Headquarters" will be at the St. Pete Hilton (Downtown). It's right across the street from the Bayfront and rates are \$65.00 per night on the weekend. Since it's heavy duty tourist season, I wouldn't wait until November to make your reservations. It's a classy looking hotel.....Notes from the Titan tapings thanks to Bruce Grummert & Linda Adams: Slick will be managing Hercules and Paul Roma as "Power and Glory".....Ricky Rice was at the tapings and was squashed by Dino Bravo and was on the losing end of a tag match. (Sorry Wade.).....Kerry Von Erich made his debut billed as the "Texas Tornado". They do use his name too though. Bruce said there was no reaction for him. They'll be pushing Kerry real hard and expect him to wrestle Curt at Summerslam possibly winning the strap.....The Roadies came out for a squash and got no reaction either.....Kerry came out during a Hennig squash and challenged him.... After a Tugboat squash, Jimmy Hart and his gang attacked him until Big Boss Man made the save. They'll be going around with Quake & Bravo vs. BBM & Tugboat.....Matches taped for Saturday Night's Main Event for 7/28: Bad News Brown beat Jim Powers... The Boy Scouts gave Nic Volkoff a medal and the Lithuanian was getting blubbery in the ring...Curt Hennig beat Tito Santana in a great bout in which ref Earl Hebner took a nasty bump and was carried out on a stretcher...Vince McMahon conducted an interview in the ring with Hulk Hogan. Hart's henchmen came out but Tugboat came down for the standoff... Warrior beat Rick Rude via count out which may set up their cage match at Summerslam...Buddy Rose came down and challenged Kerry who accepted and beat the doughboy with a discus punch which is his finisher in Titan...Demolition bested The Rockers when Ax pulled a switch with Crush. But the Roadies and Hart Foundation came down and tried to get the ref to overturn decision. Sounds like it should be a decent show.....End of taping notes... Sgt. Slaughter

GEORGIA WRESTLING JOURNAL

HOWDY, YOU SIMPLE MINDED PARDNERS! Welcome to the second issue of the Georgia Wrestling Journal. Lots happening up here, so read on McDuff!

THE OMNI (07-15-90) N.W.A.: Candyman Brad Armstrong pinned Dutch Mantell with a dropkick in a solid opener * $\frac{1}{2}$..Buddy Landell pinned StarBlazer Tim using a roll-up while holding the tights in a fair match * $\frac{1}{4}$..Bam Bam Bigelow pinned Doug Furnas in one of the hottest Omni matches in recent memory. Furnas did every high spot in his repertoire with Bigelow being a more than competent partner. Bigelow used a reverse momentum high cross body for the pin ***..The Southern Boys defeated the Freebirds when Steve Armstrong pinned Michael Hayes with an incredibly high shoulder block from the top rope. The match built well to a heat packed finish **..Tommy Rich defeated Mean Mark by DQ due to Paul E.'s interference. Mark originally got the pin but a "bitch and moan" by the Rock and Rolls got the decision reversed. Paul E. was great * $\frac{3}{4}$..Big Van Vader pinned Mark Kyle in a squash NR..The Rock and Rolls defeated Doom by DQ due to Butch Reed's over the top rope toss of Robert Gibson. There was a lot of good "David vs. Goliath" action here **..Lex Luger defeated Sid Vicious by DQ due to Ole's interference. The heat was good as both guys are over. Junkyard Dog, T-Bolt Patterson and Orndorff make the save * $\frac{3}{4}$..Sting, JYD, and Orndorff defeated Barry Windham, Arn Anderson, and Hraley Race (sub for Flair, more later) when Barry accidentally clotheslined Race allowing Sting to gain the pin. Not bad **

NOTES AND NEWS: TBolt was introduced as "The Living Legend".Hmmm, that's Bruno, Dusty, and T-Bolt. Yeah, right..There was a spattering of boos for Sting as World Champ..Bigelow forgot that his match was next, sending Ron West scampering around the heel dressing room to fetch Bam Bam.(ATT:6085)

GEORGIA MOUNTAIN CENTER (07-16-90) NWA TV TAPINGS FOR AIR THE WEEKEND OF JULY 28, 1990: NWA Pro- Rich and Furnas over Horowitz and Goff..Mark over ?..Steiners over Cazana and Ford with Scott using the top rope DDT and the Frankensteiner..Landell over White..RnR over SST by DQ with Steiners making save to start Steiner/SST feud..Worldwide- Pillman over Panzer..Orndorff over 11 year old rookie Todd Flatulence..Vader over Knight..Rich over Ford..Boys over Kyle and Avery..Windham and Arn over Johnson and ?..World Championship-Pillman and Zenk over Thor and Ford..Landell over Scott..Boys over State Patrol with Freebirds walkup with trophy. Boys end up with the trophy to start feud..Vicious over McKennon..Scott Steiner over Fatu with Scott being hung over ropes and punted with a shovel by Savage..Birds over Parker and Defura..Sting over Williams..Trucker Norm (honest) over Horowitz..Horner and Brad Armstrong over Windham and Arn by DQ due to Vicious' interference. This was followed by a Sting, JFD, Orndorff save and a Sting JFD interview. During, Luger staggers in in tattered street clothes after being mugged by "the Horsemen"..NEWS AND NOTES: Flair was back home in Charlotte after an 11:00am Dr.'s appointment revealed a staph infection in his knee that began in Dallas. He may be out a couple of weeks. He did appear briefly at the Omni..The plan is now for Halloween Havoc on 10/27 in Chicago and Starcade on 12/29 in Atlanta. Mother Trucker Norm using the Frankensteiner as a finisher (no, not really)..Doom is over huge with black fans while JFD is just overweight..WWF in Omni 8-5, NWA in Omni 8-19..Had a great time in Baltimore, tanks guys...

THE LAST WORD...

I remember about twenty years ago when Hulk Hogan was in "Hustler". He had about twenty pictures where he was covered in naked women. He had hair then.

-Ralph from Ben Hill
WGST-AM 640 Atlanta

JERSEY JOE MULLINS, JERSEY CITY, NEW JERSEY

Hey, LeeMoo! Thanks for not mentioning my name even once in the last issue of "AR" as being a member of the great wrestling underground who attended the NWA's BASHAROO in Baltimore, MD. But then neither you nor anybody else for that matter (not even the Meltz, who recognizes everyone!) knew it was me in my disguise as a member of that wild and crazy crowd from Greensboro, NC. If those dudes with their unique brand of attitudes are not the all-time, funniest, most bizarre bunch of ultimate smart pro wrestling fans on the face of the earth, then I'm merely a figment of my West Coast cousin Jeff's warped imagination!

Yes. I too attended the GREATEST GET TOGETHER EVER live and in person at the Omni Hotel-Inner Harbor-Baltimore Arena where I witnessed the Southern Boyos (rhymes with YoYo's) in their much heralded almost five-star match with Jocular Jim Cornett's Midnight Express-O (did Corny book that match after watching the TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES MOVIE or what?) and the END OF AN ERA match where the blond, bug-eyed roid freak with the American Flag stenciled across his face and whose entire interviews consist of a series of eye-ball rolls, "Yes, Jim Ross" utterances, Tarzan Yells and little else took (?) the strap from a guy who has served as pro wrestling's rudder, compass, and gyro-scope in a decade that the sport has been sailing through the kind of Dusty Rhodes mucked-up, Vince McMahon terd laden waters that the likes of James Bond, Indiana Jones, and Dick Tracy never have had to endure. I for one hope that the king is NOT yet dead. Long live the king. Ric Flair!

At this point, I suppose I should comment about some of the socio-cultural research I did while attending the BASH weekend. For instance some of your readers like Jazzy John Lanigan, Toady Tom Lamparter, Jeff "Man in Love" Zinger, and (my own favorite HOT LOVE BABE LETTER-TO-THE-EDITOR WRITER. FROM HELL) Marilyn Rundle probably want to hear a lot of deeply insider gossip about the get together such as 1) Whose size 44 underpants were left in one of the rooms at the Omni, 2) Which newsletter editor hung these Fruit of the Loomers on a hanger and then carried them into an elevator filled with speechless tourists, and 3) Which editor went berserk and threw these very same bloomers out of the opened window of his suite twelve stories above teeming downtown Baltimore?

Or perhaps your readers might be interested in the facts that Pro Wrestling This Week editor Vin Carolan does not drool on his pillow and that a sign he made was one of the first shot by Bill Apter and the PPV TV crew, that Wade Keller of Pro Wrestling Torch Weekly does not write "Hot News" stories in his sleep and actually ordered and ate French Fries at the infamous Sabatino's Italian restaurant, that Harry White does not snore and that he singlehandedly broke up a particularly ugly fist-fight between two of the get-together guys (an incident which was embarrassing for everyone on the boat ride out in Baltimore Harbour and, which you will notice, has not been mentioned in any detail in most of the sheets even though it got a lot of heat and shocked everyone involved), that in person the legendary KLON talks and is the spitting image of "The Brain" character in the movie "Gremlins II", and that both Jeff Mullins and Dave Meltzer are living testimony that "Ultimate Woman" Ferk gives the warmest, sexist, "hello" hugs this side of a Grizzly Bear. (Photos to follow!)

By-the-way, LeeMoo, my little nephew Jubie Jay Mullins out in California thanks you for calling him a steroid freak in the last ish. He now thinks his pencil thin arms and chicken-boney carcass are buffed up enough for him to do a run-in at the Cow Palace and beat up on Earth-Quake for what he did to the Hulkster! 'Til next month...

Correspondent's Corner

Kosciusko High School (5-Star)
Correspondent: J.D. McKay

Kosciusko, MS

June 14, 1990

1) Ken "Mr. Nasty" Massey beat Mark Young with a rolling reverse cradle in 14:00. Decent work for an opener. C+ 2) Frankie Lancaster beat Alan Martin in 18:30. Frankie hit a DDT but Martin got his foot on the ropes. Alan then tried a flying tackle but missed and Lancaster scored the pin. A Great match. 3) Black Olympia vs. Taras Bulba was horrible. One good double clothesline and that was it. D 4) Sam Houston small packaged Brian Lee in 14:00. First heat of the night. B 5) Wendall Cooley & Jimmy Valiant beat Bob Orton & The Beast (Lou Fabiano). Mostly comedy. Ending sees Orton pissed at Beast and slugs him. Faces cover both for victory. C+ Att: 70 (sounds like PWF)

Mid-South Coliseum (NWA)
Correspondent: J.D. McKay

Memphis, TN

June 21, 1990

1) Samoans over Star Blazer & Danny Davis in 7 minutes. C 2) Brian Pillman pinned Dutch Mantell with a flying press from top rope. Crowd 50% behind Dutch. B- 3) Bam Bam Bigelow used a front face suplex to defeat Johnny Rich. C+ 4) El Gigante made El Diablo submit in 1:14 with a bearhug. Terrible. F 5) Rock N' Roll Express beat Freebirds as R N R did a switch and Morton pinned Hayes. C+ 6) Mean Mark over Norman the Lunatic with the heartpunch. C+ 7) Barry Windham (with Sid) beat Tracy Smothers using the tights. Tracy didn't sell a Windham suplex. Save that for the monsters will ya. B 8) Junkyard Dog pinned Ric Flair. Arn interfered at 13:00 but no DQ. No one was told it was non-title.

Pittsburgh Civic Arena (WWF)
Correspondent: John Lanigan

Pittsburgh, PA

July 13, 1990

1) Paul Roma pinned Paul Diamond with a powerslam at 13:48. C 2) Haku used two brutal thrust kicks to upend Jose Luis Rivera in 7:47. C- 3) Shane Douglas beat Brooklyn Brawler with a move John describes but I think you need to see it to understand. B- 4) Dusty Rhodes & Sapphire beat Randy Savage & Sherri in 7:12. Bro Love and Liz in respective corners. Great worked match. It should be, they've only been doing it for 4 months. Liz hit Sherri with her purse and Sapphy scored the pinfall. B 5) Rockers over Orient Express via count out in 14:42 as they beat the count back into the ring. B+ 6) Ronnie Garvin used the scorpion to make Conquistador submit at 9:19. I hope Rivera got paid double tonight. D+ 7) Tito Santana beat Curt Hennig via DQ at 13:06. Tito was a sub for Beefcake. They had huge signs outside the arena saying Santana would be taking Brutus's place. Perfect threw ref Morrella into Tito's flying jalapeno to earn the DQ. B- Att: 7,500

Boston Garden (WWF)
Correspondent: Louie Fortuna

Boston, MA

July 14, 1990

1) Paul Roma defeated Paul Diamond with a powerslam at 14:01. 2) Pete Doherty upset Haku in 4:36 when "The Dork of Dukechester" did a back suplex and lifted his arm off the canvas in time while Haku's was down. I wonder what Pete did to deserve this. Never mind. I'm afraid of the answer. 3) Nicolai Volkoff pinned Boris Zhukov after a clothesline to the back of the head at 10:24. 4) Bushwhackers over Rhythm & Blues via DQ at 18:33 when Valentine whipped Luke into the ref. 5) Hercules beat Akeem with a roll up at 11:30. 6) Earthquake quaked Hacksaw Duggan at 8:40 and then Duggan cleaned house. 7) Tito Santana beat Mr. Perfect via DQ in same finish as above card in Pitt. Att: 3,500

Correspondent: Shannon Rose

1) Joe Gomez went to a ten minute draw with Sgt. Rock. 2) Mark Starr beat Hurricane Walker. 3) New Sensations beat Dennis Knight & Ron Slinker. 4) Lou Perez downed Jimmy Backlund via DQ when Starr interfered. Steve Keirn was banned from the building. 5) Terminator beat Al Greene in a lights out match.

Letters To "AR"

The Challenge

Arena Report is the best newsletter I have ever seen. I enjoyed reading "Capital Combat '90" since I could not watch it. Good results.

"Ramblings" is the best section of the newsletter. "Cosmic Clothesline" (get real Jersey Joe), I challenge you to an article contest. Who can have the sickest article and put it into Arena Report. What do you say?

I do enjoy "Correspondent's Corner" alot. When I said "Ramblings" is the best, it is. But Marilyn Rundle will take over that soon and soon after, the nesletter will be hers. What do you think of that?

Mark Brambilla
Walpole, MA

RL- As far as the challenge to Mr. Mullins, you do have an editor sitting here who will decide how sick something is and if it even gets in these pages. Secondly, are you trying to buy out "AR" or what. Marilyn wouldn't do that to me....Would you Marilyn?

Hardcore's Spouses

Here is a tape for you to copy "The Homecoming" on. Ted would have written this himself but letter writing comes under "W" along with toilet cleaning and meal preparation. While I write his letter, he plays Nintendo. Ironically, his teams' name is the "Lazy Bears". He is losing to the Four Horsemen. He has really gone off the deep end.

Cheryl Field
Woburn, MA

RL- I know I'll get shot for printing this letter but it's a fine example of how much a "smart" fan's spouse puts up with us all. Bless this woman. She even orders his wrestling tapes for him.

Harry Speaks

The promotion always looking to diversify have added tie ins with movie productions. This mixture of wrestling and major motion pictures will probably come to a conclusion with a major PPV featuring Robocop vs. The Terminator. Does your staff of experts think the heart and emotion of Robo Cop can overcome the killing efficiency of Terminator?

The Omni in Atlanta had Mr, Wrestling II as a special ref to boost attendance. St. Louis missed a chance for a sure sell out by not having the recently retired (and God-like) Whitey Herzog as a special referee.

The next Titan main event here features Tugboat and Duggan vs. Earthquake and Bravo. I believe the special ref for that one should be a public relations man from the American Heart Association.

Harry White
St. Louis, MO

Flair

Well, Sting finally won the NWA title. Ric Flair was a great champion. Ric had held the title for most of the last nine years so I guess it was time for someone else to have it. Now one has to wonder about the future of Flair.

I have heard the possibility of Ric going to the WWF. Flair is at a point that if he ever decided to go, now would be the time. I remember that some people were shocked when Dusty turned up in the WWF. People had come to associate Rhodes with the NWA as almost being one and the same. It makes you wonder if Ric will follow.

Clint Bennett
Moultrie, GA

RL- As you probably know by now, Flair wanted out of his contract with the NWA but Jim Herd refused. It will be interesting to see what direction Ole Anderson takes Ric Flair's character now.

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booked against Nikolai Volkoff in September so he should be at next tapings.... Nord skedded in October.....With Starcade in Florida, a key question becomes what to do with the Midnight Express? I would think Lane would be forced to deal with his problem.....Ole wants to bring in Dustin Rhodes for a series with Flair. He'll probably put Dustin on a seefood diet so everything he sees, he'll eat so he'll look like Papa Rhodes.....Rick Rude & Bobby Heenan will be on Arsenio Hall on Friday night. Then they'll be joined by Curt Hennig to host Friday Night Videos. The NWA meanwhile has scheduled Rocky King to be on Sonya Live.....If you haven't seen Billy Jack's heel turn in Portland, your missing something great. His subsequent interviews are awesome as well. Turn of the year.....Tully Blanchard showed up in a Morganton North Carolina church as a guest speaker. Seems the former Horseman has found the Lord.....Don't you really feel bad for Ultimate Warrior? I'd love to shoot Monsoon for asking Bobby Heenan who was more important than Hulk Hogan in the WWF. How about your world champion you pampering twit. The way they've pushed Warrior since the title change has made me ill..... Look for a super interview with the legendary Karl Gotch in an upcoming Wrestling Observer. The interview was conducted by Jeff Bowdren and I heard excerpts this weekend and it'll be real interesting.....Even Marcus Cretin can see where this "Running The Gauntlet" is headed (He really can now too.) Since the guy who runs it can't lose Friday or Sat. night (because it'll mean nothing come Sunday.) they'll run three or four weeks of someone getting to Sunday and either winning or losing. The next week, it'll be Sting or someone else and they'll make it to Sunday and face Paul Orndorff who'll turn on the Stinger. After "Gauntlet" has served it's purpose, you won't hear of it again.....When Thunderbolt Patterson says he's full, what do you think he's full of. I know..... Orlando Sentinel recently headlined a sport short, "Where's The Beefcake". Kind of pissed me off as if what happened to Beefcake had happened to Darryl Strawberry or Joe Montana, it would have been front page news. But since it's a wrestler, let's make light of it. Closest I came to writing a letter to the editor of a newspaper.....Ted Field of 924 Main St. #35, Woburn, MA 01801 is looking for Florida tapes during the Terry Funk-Dusty feud. He's also interested in Portland tapes during the Nord-Piper battles.....David Krause would like to trade for Florida and Gulf Coast tapes. Write to him at 36889 ~~Seutha~~ South Lake Shore Blvd. Eastlake, OH 44095. For you people looking for PWF tapes: the only place I know that airs them are a Texas cable outfit and the Bahamas.

Final Word

Thanks to everyone for reading and I hope those are seeing this for the first time enjoy and keep coming back for more. My two year anniversary is in September and I'll be telling you about a poll I will be conducting to see what you enjoy most in Arena Report with a minor incentive to fill it out. (Very minor) See everyone in 3 weeks.

Ron